

JUGGLER

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By my own admission
I am a juggler.
No, not in a circus nor on a stage.
I juggle
not in a carnival nor a parade.
I juggle people.
Some poorly, some skillfully;
I manage to
balance them
talk and listen
I continue to juggle
but soon I grow weary
of this game
and I begin to
drop these oranges, balls, people. . .
I am clumsy
and I keep misplacing my balance
and I find
that I can only
effectively
juggle
one.

